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Atty. Ref.: 1721-18

Group: 1647

Examiner: LANDSMAN

For: POLYPEPTIDES ASSOCIATED WITH ACTIVATOR RECEPTORS AND THEIR  
BIOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS

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December 2, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE

Responsive to the Official Action dated October 30, 2002, the applicants elect, with traverse, subject matter of the Examiner's Group I and, further, SEQ ID NO:2 (mature protein) and SEQ ID NO:1 (the corresponding cDNA), for further prosecution in the above.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement are requested as examination of all the claimed subject matter is not believed to be an undue burden on the Examiner.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

**Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment	0	minus highest number	\$	0.00
previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	0 x \$ 18.00	
Independent claims after amendment	0	minus highest number	\$	0.00
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If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper)			\$	0.00
Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months)			\$	0.00
Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00			\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$740.00)				
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Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)				<b>0.00</b>
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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